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National Hay, Feed & Seed Weekly Summary

CALIFORNIA HAY: Tons FOB: 19,966; Last Week: 16,529; Last Year: 9,225; Delivered: 7,640; Last Week: 7,590; Last Year: 4,935; Year to Date FOB: 1,965,089; Last Week: 1,945,123; Last Year: 1,732,274; Delivered: 854,957; Last Week: 847,317; Last Year: 829,177.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA ALFALFA

Tons FOB Barn/Stack: 5,600; Tons Delivered: 3,750; Premium and Supreme Alfalfa steady to firm in limited test. Demand good and supply very light. Fair and Good Alfalfa steady to firm, instances 5.00 higher. Demand good and supply light to moderate. Retail and stable hay steady. Demand good and supply moderate with most coming out of barns. Weather has been dry, hoping for rain this weekend, which has been making beef cattle feed hay and pull from already low inventories. A lot of supplies coming from out of state and/or from a distance from dairies.

TYPE, QUALITY	TON	RANGE	AVG
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PETALUMA - DELIVERED PRICES

No new sales confirmed.

TRACY-PATTERSON-STOCKTON - FOB PRICES

Alfalfa Domestic Cattle			
Supreme	50	170.00	170.00
Premium	100	162.00	162.00
Fair	75	140.00	140.00
Alfalfa Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Premium	100	170.00	170.00
Alfalfa Stable/heavy>115 lb bales			
Good/Premium	50	150.00	150.00
Oat Domestic Cattle			
Fair	100	70.00	70.00
Oat Export			
Good	300	80.00	80.00

SACRAMENTO VALLEY - FOB PRICES

Alfalfa Domestic Cattle			
Supreme	100	160.00	160.00
Alfalfa Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Premium	300	160.00-170.00	165.00
Oat Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Good/Premium	50	110.00	110.00
Orchard Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Premium	100	170.00	170.00
Rice Straw Erosion control Small square, per bale			
Good	250	2.00-2.50	2.25
Rye Grass Export			
Good	200	100.00	100.00
Wheat Straw Erosion control Small square, per bale			
Good	250	2.75	2.75
Wheat Straw Retail/light<110 lb bales Small square, per bale			
Premium	375	3.50	3.50

ESCALON-MODESTO-TURLOCK - DELIVERED

Alfalfa Domestic Cattle			
Supreme	250	180.00-190.00	185.00
Premium	475	165.00-180.00	173.58
Good	100	170.00	170.00
Fair	2,675	140.00-155.00	140.79
Oat Domestic Cattle			
Good	75	100.00	100.00
Fair	100	85.00	85.00

TYPE, QUALITY	TON	RANGE	AVG
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NORTHERN - INTERMOUNTAIN AREAS - FOB PRICES

Alfalfa Domestic Cattle			
Premium	150	130.00	130.00
Fair	2,675	95.00-110.00	95.98
Alfalfa Stable/heavy>115 lb bales			
Good/Premium	50	125.00	125.00
Oat Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Good/Premium	100	100.00-105.00	102.50
Orchard Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Premium	75	185.00	185.00
Orchard Stable/heavy>115 lb bales			
Good/Premium	50	125.00	125.00
Orchard/Alfalfa Mix Stable/heavy>115 lb bales			
Good/Premium	50	135.00	135.00

NORTHERN CA Other hay: 125 Tons: Escalon - Modesto - Turlock: Domestic Cattle Fair Alfalfa grassy 125.00-135.00 delivered. Tracy-Patterson-Stockton: Domestic Cattle Fair Alfalfa grassy 120.00 FOB.

CENTRAL CA. ALFALFA

Tons FOB Barn/Stack: 3,961; Tons Delivered: 2,290; Premium and Supreme Alfalfa steady in limited test. Demand moderate to good as some dairies are noticing lower milk prices on the board and do not want more hay at the present time and supply light. Fair and Good Alfalfa steady to firm, instances 5.00 to 10.00 higher in light test. Demand good as beef cattle producers needing hay due to dry conditions and not enough grass to graze. Supply light to moderate. Retail and stable hay steady to firm, instances 10.00 higher as barn hay is priced to recover placing hay in barns. Demand moderate and supply moderate. Possibility of rain storm moving through area this weekend, which will be welcomed by beef cattle producers as well as farmers that have finished seeding some fields.

SOUTH-CENTRAL COASTAL AREA- DELIVERED PRICES

Alfalfa Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Premium	125	205.00-220.00	208.00
Alfalfa Stable/heavy>115 lb bales			
Premium	150	200.00	200.00
Good/Premium	25	186.00	186.00
Forage Mix Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Premium	100	200.00	200.00
Wheat Straw Retail/light<110 lb bales Small square, per bale			
Premium	25	5.95	5.95

KERN COUNTY - FOB PRICES

Alfalfa Domestic Cattle			
Good	1,200	153.00	153.00
Alfalfa Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Premium	50	182.00	182.00
Good/Premium	1,000	140.00-165.00	158.00
Alfalfa Stable/heavy>115 lb bales			
Good/Premium	100	135.00	135.00
Forage-Three Way Mix Domestic Cattle			
Good	75	75.00	75.00

CENTRAL CA. ALFALFA continued on page 2:

Central California, continued....

TYPE, QUALITY	TON	RANGE	AVG
LOS BANOS – DOS PALOS - FOB PRICES			
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle			
Supreme	450	165.00-167.00	165.67
Premium	50	160.00	160.00
Beardless Wheat Domestic Cattle			
Good	150	85.00	85.00
Oat Domestic Cattle			
Good	75	85.00	85.00

TULARE-VISALIA-HANFORD-BAKERSFIELD - DEL. PRICES			
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle			
Supreme	250	185.00-195.00	186.00
Premium	1,150	160.00-182.00	168.74
Beardless Wheat Domestic Cattle			
Fair	340	75.00	75.00
Forage-Three Way Mix Domestic Cattle			
Good	75	90.00	90.00

WESTERN FRESNO-MADERA-FIREBAUGH - FOB PRICES			
No new sales confirmed.			

HANFORD-CORCORAN-TULARE-VISALIA - FOB PRICES			
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle			
Fair	375	125.00	125.00
Beardless Wheat Domestic Cattle			
Fair	140	50.00	50.00

CENTRAL CA other hay: 346 Tons: Kern County: Domestic Cattle Fair Alfalfa grassy 128.00 FOB. Los Banos-Dos Palos: Domestic Cattle Fair Alfalfa grassy 110.00 FOB. Domestic Cattle Fair Alfalfa rain damage 110.00 FOB. South-Central Coastal Areas: Domestic Cattle Fair Alfalfa grassy 169.00 delivered. Tulare-Visalia-Hanford-Bakersfield: Domestic Cattle Fair Alfalfa grassy 115.00 delivered. Western Fresno-Madera-Firebaugh: Domestic Cattle Good Alfalfa Windrow green chop 30.00 FOB.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA			
Tons FOB Barn/Stack: 10,405; Tons Delivered: 1,600; Premium and Supreme Alfalfa steady to firm. Demand good and supply moderate. Fair and Good Alfalfa steady in limited test. Demand moderate to good and supply moderate. Retail and Stable hay steady to firm, instances 5.00 higher. Demand moderate to good and supply moderate, with a fair amount of current sales coming from under tarps or out of barns. Weather has been nice to produce hay lately, with temps dipping down in the upper 20's/low 30's for overnight low and high's in the 60's/70's.			

BLYTHE-PARKER - FOB PRICES			
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle			
Premium	1,800	120.00-125.00	122.78
Fair	1,800	90.00-95.00	91.67
Alfalfa Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Premium	2,700	150.00	150.00
Good/Premium	300	140.00-145.00	143.17
Good	100	125.00-130.00	127.50

ANTELOPE VALLEY-MOJAVE DESERT- FOB PRICES			
Alfalfa Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Premium	125	180.00-200.00	184.00
Forage Four-Way Mix Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Premium	25	229.00	229.00
Forage Three-Way Mix Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Good/Premium	50	155.00	155.00

TYPE, QUALITY	TON	RANGE	AVG
IMPERIAL VALLEY – FOB PRICES			
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle			
Premium	985	123.00-132.00	125.43
Good	525	110.00-118.00	113.33
Fair	100	90.00	90.00
Alfalfa Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Premium	50	150.00	150.00
Good/Premium	175	140.00-150.00	142.86
Alfalfa Stable/heavy>115 lb bales			
Good/Premium	100	130.00-135.00	132.50
Bermuda Export			
Good	420	90.00-105.00	94.76
Bermuda Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Premium	25	150.00	150.00
Good/Premium	200	125.00-135.00	128.75
Good	50	100.00	100.00
Bermuda Stable/heavy>115 lb bales			
Good/Premium	100	120.00-125.00	122.50
Bermuda Straw Export			
Good	25	45.00	45.00
Wheat Straw Retail/light<110 lb bales Small square, per bale			
Premium	25	3.00	3.00
Good/Premium	25	2.50	2.50

CHINO VALLEY-LOS ANGELES - DELIVERED PRICES			
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle			
Premium	400	150.00-165.00	155.00
Fair	100	130.00-135.00	132.50
Alfalfa Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Premium	200	196.00-205.00	200.50
Good/Premium	100	180.00	180.00
Good	175	150.00-165.00	156.43
Alfalfa Stable/heavy>115 lb bales			
Good/Premium	50	160.00	160.00
Good	250	140.00-155.00	147.00
Forage Mix Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Premium	125	200.00-239.00	207.80
Good/Premium	25	165.00	165.00
Oat Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Premium	25	215.00	215.00
Orchard Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Premium	50	250.00	250.00
Timothy Retail/light<110 lb bales			
Premium	100	300.00-310.00	305.00

Southern CA. Other hay: 600 Tons: Blythe - Parker: Domestic Cattle Fair Alfalfa grassy 80.00-85.00 FOB. Stable/heavy>115 lb bales Good Alfalfa grassy 100.00 FOB. Imperial Valley: Domestic Cattle Premium Alfalfa high moisture 115.00 FOB.

USDA ESTIMATED BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES 12/07/06

Based on negotiated prices and volume of boxed beef cuts delivered within 0-21 days and on average industry cutting yields. Values reflect U.S. dollars per 100 pounds. Boxed beef cutout values steady to weak on light to moderate demand and moderate offerings. Select and Choice rib, round, and loin cuts steady to weak. Choice chuck cuts weak, while Select lower. Beef trimmings generally steady on moderate demand and offerings.

	600-900 lbs.	CHOICE	SELECT
Current Cutout Values:	142.64	125.71	
Change from prior day:	(0.05)	(0.68)	
USDA Market News Service, Des Moines, IA 515-284-4460			

WASHINGTON-OREGON - (Columbia Basin) - 12/08/06
Tons FOB: 20,205; Last Week: 12,376; Last Year: 11,060; Year to Date FOB: 807,073; Last Week: 786,868; Last Year: 895,488. Premium Alfalfa steady to firm, Supreme no test. Demand good with light supplies. Good Alfalfa steady to firm in a thin test, Fair not tested. Demand good with light to moderate supplies. Retail/feed store/horse hay sales steady to firm. Demand good, light supplies offered.

Quality	Tons	Price Range	Avg. Price
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8			
Premium	1,125	133.00-135.00	133.22
Good	120	130.00	130.00
Alfalfa Export 2-3 tie small sq bales			
Premium	3,500	125.00	125.00
Alfalfa Export Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8			
Good	1,130	110.00-116.00	113.19
Alfalfa Retail/feed store/horse 2-3 tie small sq bales			
Premium	460	140.00-155.00	147.50
Good/Premium	200	120.00	120.00
Forage-4 Way Mix Retail/fd store/horse 2-3 tie sm sq bales			
Premium	25	150.00	150.00
Orchard Retail/feed store/horse 2-3 tie small sq bales			
Premium	30	160.00	160.00
Orchard/Alf. Mix Retail/feed store/horse 2-3 tie sm sq bales			
Premium	155	165.00-175.00	173.06
Timothy Export Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8			
#1 Dairy	60	140.00	140.00

Other hay: 13,400 Tons: Domestic Cattle, Good/Premium Alfalfa, 2-3 tie small sq bales/Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8bales, rain damage 110.00 FOB. Export, Good Alfalfa, Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8 bales, light rain damage 110.00 FOB.

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MOUNTAIN AREA AND WESTERN U.S. SHEEP REPORT

(Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Nebraska, Dakotas, Utah, Nevada, Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Arizona and California)

12-08-06 **Feeder lamb** trading very slow, nearly at a standstill. Demand light to moderate. Weak undertone on all weights. Lower slaughter lamb realizations and higher corn prices forcing feeder lambs to lower levels. Sales FOB overnight stand or equivalent 3-4 percent shrink unless otherwise noted. Prices quoted per cwt. Current delivery unless noted. Med & Lg 1-2 All woolled lambs

CO 2,600 Hd 120 lbs 100.00 del and weighted off truck

ID 340 Hd mixed lambs, feeders 70-110 lbs and slaughter Lambs 110-130 lbs, all 91.00

SD 1,000 Hd 90-95 lbs 102.00 del in from out of state, 50 cent/lb slide over 90 lbs

MT 500 Hd 85 lbs 105.00

WY 1,000 Hd 70 lbs 106.00

Slaughter ewe trading slow in most areas. Buyers remain selective for weight and flesh condition. Demand light to moderate. Prices with overnight stand unless otherwise noted. Higher undertone than last sales a few weeks ago.

Utility and Good 1-3 (Slightly thin to medium flesh)

ID 600 Hd 150-180 lbs 30.00

UT 300 Hd 150-180 lbs 30.00 Medium ewes, 20.00 thins
300 Hd 150-180 lbs 30.00

Sheep Report continued...

Replacement ewes, ewe lambs or yearling ewe trading was slow to moderate. Demand moderate to good for all classes of replacements.

UT 1,000 Hd Whiteface, yearling to solid mouth ewes, 170-180 lbs 120.00 per head

Goats: Trading at a complete standstill. Demand light to very light. Supplies continue to exceed demand at the present time.

USDA-CO Dept of Ag Market News, Greeley, CO 970-353-9750

OKLAHOMA - 12/07/06 ALFALFA HAY:

Alfalfa hay prices are firm with demand moderate. Alfalfa hay supplies are limited. Many producers have been feeding this past week, due to the severe cold weather and snow that was received in most regions of the state. Producers would welcome moisture especially in the North Central and Northwestern parts of the state. Many areas continue to be drought stricken with regards to the wheat crop in Northern OK. **GRASS HAY:** Grass hay prices are steady to firm and movement is active. Producers looking for hay to purchase or have hay for sale can access the hay directory on the OK Dept. of Ag. website at www.oda.state.ok.us or call the OK Dept. of Ag. Hay Hotline at 1-800-580-6543. **ALFALFA CENTRAL AND WESTERN OK:** Premium quality large squares 150.00-170.00 per ton. Small squares 160.00-180.00 per ton. Good quality large squares 140.00-150.00, small squares 140.00-160.00/ton. Good large rounds 120.00-140.00. Fair quality large squares 90.00-110.00 per ton. Fair large rounds 80.00-100.00 a ton. **WHEAT HAY:** CENTRAL AND WESTERN OK: Wheat hay in large round bales 80.00-90.00 a ton. PANHANDLE AND WESTERN FEEDLOT AREA: Good grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field or bale pile (spot) 105.00-120.00 a ton. Chopped and delivered to feedlots (short haul) 140.00-150.00 per ton. **GRASS HAY:** CENTRAL AND EASTERN OK: Premium quality large squares 90.00-110.00 a ton, small squares 90.00-110.00 per ton. Good quality small squares 80.00-100.00 per ton. Premium quality large rounds 90.00-110.00. Good quality large rounds 80.00-100.00 per ton. Fair quality 60.00-80.00 per ton. OK AG-USDA Market News, Oklahoma City, OK 405 521 3881

MONTANA - 12/08/06

Sales remain steady. Demand remains real good. Much warmer temps across the state this week and are forecasted to remain mild for the weekend and start of next week. All sales FOB the stack and per ton basis in large rounds or large squares, unless otherwise stated. Alfalfa: Premium small square 120.00-125.00, large square 100.00. Good small square 90.00-100.00. Good large round and squares 65.00-75.00. Fair to Good 60.00-65.00. Utility large squares and rounds 50.00-55.00. Alfalfa/grass mix in small squares Premium 120.00-125.00; Good to Premium 75.00-85.00. Good large squares and rounds 70.00-75.00. Grass: Good to Premium small squares 2.50-3.00 per bale. Good in large square 70.00. Timothy: Premium pure Timothy small square 140.00-150.00. Timothy mixed grass hay premium small square 135.00. Straw: Large squares and rounds 25.00-30.00, small square 35.00. USDA Market News, Billings MT 406-657-6285



Alfalfa hay guidelines, used with visual appearances and intent of sale: Relative Feed Value (RFV); Acid Detergent Fiber (ADF); Crude Protein (CP) *RFV calculated using the Wis/Minn formula. **TDN calculated using the western formula. Quantitative factors are approximate, and many factors can affect feeding value. Values based on 100 % dry matter (TDN showing both 100% & 90%).

Quality	ADF	NDF	*RFV	**TDN-100%	**TDN-90%	CP
Supreme	<27	<34	>185	>62	>55.9	>22
Premium	27-29	34-36	170-185	60.5-62	54.5-55.9	20-22
Good	29-32	36-40	150-170	58-60	52.5-54.5	18-20
Fair	32-35	40-44	130-150	56-58	50.5-52.5	16-18
Utility	>35	>44	<130	<56	<50.5	<16

OREGON AREAS – 12/08/06 Tons FOB: 7,350; Last Week: 1,620; Last Year: 2,709; Year to Date FOB: 363,443; Last Week: 356,093; Last Year: 316,180.			
CROOK, DESCHUTES, JEFFERSON, WASCO CO: Tons FOB Barn/Stack: 2,020; Premium Alfalfa steady to firm, Supreme not tested. Demand good with limited supplies offered. Good Alfalfa steady to firm, Fair not tested. Demand good with light supplies available. Retail/feed store/horse hay sales steady to firm in a thin test. Demand good with limited supplies offered.			
Quality	Ton	Price Range	Avg Price
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8			
Premium	1,180	125.00-140.00	127.29
Good	200	120.00	120.00
Alfalfa Retail/feed store/horse 2-3 tie small sq bales			
Premium	310	150.00-175.00	154.84
Alfalfa Retail/feed store/horse Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8			
Premium	60	150.00	150.00
Orchard Retail/feed store/horse 2-3 tie small sq bales			
Premium	150	175.00	175.00
Orchard/Alfalfa Mix Retail/feed store/horse 2-3 tie small sq bales			
Premium	60	160.00	160.00
Other hay: 60 Tons: Domestic Cattle, Fair Alfalfa, Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8 bales, rain damage 110.00 FOB.			
EASTERN OREGON: Tons FOB Barn/Stack: 1,250; Few confirmed sales on Premium Alfalfa mostly steady, Supreme not tested. Demand good with limited supplies offered. Fair and Good Alfalfa not tested. Retail/feed store/horse hay sales quiet, too few confirmed sales to test. Demand good with limited supplies offered.			
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8			
Premium	250	130.00	130.00
Fair/Good	400	90.00	90.00
Alfalfa Export Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8			
Good	450	90.00	90.00
Alfalfa Retail/feed store/horse 2-3 tie small sq bales			
Premium	60	150.00	150.00
Oat Domestic Cattle Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8			
Good	30	100.00	100.00
Other hay: 60 Tons: (Organic) Domestic Cattle, Good Alfalfa, Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8 bales, weedy 110.00 FOB.			
HARNEY COUNTY: Tons FOB Barn/Stack: 120; Not enough confirmed sales on any class of hay to test trends. Demand good with limited supplies offered. Retail/feed store/horse hay sales quiet, on confirmed sales reported.			
Alfalfa Retail/feed store/horse 2-3 tie small sq bales			
Premium	60	140.00	140.00
Other hay: 60 Tons: Domestic Cattle, Premium Alfalfa, Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8 bales, rain damage 120.00 FOB.			
KLAMATH BASIN: Tons FOB Barn/Stack: 2,320; Premium Alfalfa steady to firm, Supreme not tested. Demand good with limited supplies offered. Good Alfalfa steady to firm, Fair not tested. Demand good with light supplies offered. Retail/feed store/horse hay sales quiet, too few confirmed sales to test trends. Demand good with light supplies offered.			
Quality	Ton	Price Range	Avg Price
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle 2-3 tie small sq bales			
Premium	900	125.00-130.00	127.50
Good	200	120.00	120.00
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8			
Premium	400	125.00	125.00
Good	400	125.00	125.00
Alfalfa/Grass Mix Retail/feed store/horse 2-3 tie small sq bales			
Good/Premium	30	130.00	130.00
Good	60	110.00	110.00
Alfalfa/Oat Domestic Cattle 2-3 tie small sq bales			
Good	150	95.00	95.00
Orchard/Alfalfa Mix Retail/feed store/horse 2-3 tie small sq bales			
Good/Premium	30	150.00	150.00
Other hay: 150 Tons: Domestic Cattle, Premium Alfalfa, 2-3 tie small sq bales, rain damage 115.00 FOB.			

LAKE COUNTY, OREGON: Tons FOB Barn/Stack: 1,640; Premium and Supreme Alfalfa steady to firm. Demand good with light supplies offered. Fair and Good Alfalfa was mostly steady in a thin test. Demand good with light to moderate supplies available. Retail/feed store/horse hay sales quiet, too few to test trends. Demand good with limited supplies available.			
Quality	Ton	Price Range	Avg Price
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle 2-3 tie small sq bales			
Premium	70	150.00	150.00
Fair	100	95.00	95.00
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8			
Supreme	35	150.00	150.00
Premium	700	140.00	140.00
Good	30	120.00	120.00
Oat Domestic Cattle Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8			
Good	100	85.00-100.00	92.50
Orchard Retail/feed store/horse 2-3 tie small sq bales			
Good/Premium	100	145.00	145.00
Other hay: 505 Tons: Domestic Cattle, Good Oat, mid/ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8 bales, low potassium 95.00 FOB. Dom. Cattle, Premium Alfalfa, mid/ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8 bales, rain damage 100.00 FOB. Retail/feed store/horse, Good Alfalfa, 2-3 tie small sq bales, rain damage 120.00 FOB. Retail/feed store/horse, Good/Prem Orchard, 2-3 tie sm sq bales rain damage 120. FOB.			
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IDAHO – 12/08/06 Tons FOB: 8,815; Last Week: 15,345; Last Year: 1,890; Year to Date FOB: 546,649; Last Week: 537,834; Last Year: 674,390. Light test on Premium Alfalfa mostly steady, Supreme not tested. Demand good with limited supplies available. Fair and Good Alfalfa sales are mostly steady. Demand good with light to moderate supplies offered. Retail/feed store/horse hay sales quiet, too few confirmed sales to test trends. Demand good with limited supplies available.			
Quality	Ton	Price Range	Avg Price
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle 2-3 tie small sq bales			
Good	255	115.00	115.00
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8			
Premium	210	120.00-125.00	123.57
Fair	1,110	85.00-90.00	87.93
Alfalfa Domestic Cattle Standing			
Premium	190	100.00	100.00
Alfalfa Retail/feed store/horse 2-3 tie small sq bales			
Premium	50	140.00	140.00
Other hay: 7,000 Tons: Domestic Cattle, Good Alfalfa, Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8 bales, rain damage 93.00-100.00 FOB. Domestic Cattle, Fair Alfalfa, Mid/Ton-3x3x8,3x4x8,4x4x8 bales, rain damage 80.00 FOB.			
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UTAH – 12/01/06 Hay prices mostly steady. Trading slow to moderate, with moderate demand for Dairy quality hay, but lower quality hay demand is slow. Confirmed sales on baled 4,675 tons. Cube prices strong on top quality export cubes. Trade moderate with demand moderate on top quality export cubes. Confirmed sales 1,800 tons. All prices per ton, FOB at stack, unless otherwise noted. Bales large and small. Cubes all FOB slab, unless noted. Northern Area: Alfalfa: Supreme No 1 dairy: 100.00-115.00; Premium Dairy: 85.00-95.00; Good feeder: few 70.00-80.00; Premium retail horse sales 80.00-120.00. Central Area: Alfalfa: Supreme No 1 dairy 100.00-115.00; Premium Dairy: 90.00-100.00; Good feeder: 70.00-85.00; Fair: 60.00; Premium retail horse sales 80.00-120.00. Alfalfa Cubes: Premium export: 120.00-142.00; Southern Area: Alfalfa: Supreme No 1 dairy: 100.00-120.00; Premium Dairy: 90.00-100.00; Good feeder: 70.00-85.00; Premium retail horse sales 90.00-120.00. Alfalfa Cubes: Premium export: 120.00-142.00; Uintah Basin: Alfalfa: Supreme No 1 dairy: 95.00-110.00; Premium dairy: 85.00-95.00; Good feeder: 65.00-80.00; Premium retail horse sales 95.00-120.00 Alfalfa Cubes: Premium retail: bagged for retail sale mostly Local sales 120.00-150.00/ton; USDA-UT Ag Market News, Salt Lake City, UT 801-538-7107			
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October 2006 - CALIFORNIA - BALES Inbound Hay and Cubes by County & State						
Destination Co.	AZ	NV	UT	OR	ID	Total
Alameda	23					23
Butte		150		209		359
Contra Costa				1		1
El Dorado				52		52
Fresno		197	686	75		958
Glenn		76		126		202
Humboldt				280		280
Imperial	998					998
Inyo		2				2
Kern	659	1,107	2,763			4,529
Kings		299	530	72	24	925
Lassen		36				36
Los Angeles	25	172	232			429
Marin		680		54		734
Merced		3,196		124	305	3,625
Modoc				2		2
Napa				1		1
Nevada		491		27		518
Orange		25				25
Placer		848		127		975
Plumes		52				52
Riverside	509	348	2,931			3,788
Sacramento		153				153
San Benito	24	50				74
San Bernardino	8,088	143	957			9,188
San Diego	111	91	47	12		261
San Joaquin		2,721		77		2,798
SanLuis Obispo	83	26	51	22		182
Santa Barbara			27			27
Santa Clara		26				26
Shasta				392		392
Sierra		56				56
Siskiyou				127		127
Solano		363		103		466
Sonoma		617	24	705		1,346
Stanislaus		9,240	22	285	49	9,596
Tehama		23		205		228
Trinity				27		27
Tulare	1,031	5,634	10,919	125	22	17,731
Tuolumne		27				27
Turlock		26				26
Ventura				24		24
Yolo		51		360		411
Yuba				237		237
Export		45	1,909			1,954
Totals	11,551	26,971	21,098	3,851	400	63,871

VIRGINIA – Rushville Semimonthly Hay Auction, Harrisonburg, VA 12/06/06 Prices per ton FOB unless otherwise noted. Most loads delivered free within 10 miles of auction site. Delivery beyond 10 miles mostly 2.00 per mile. 58 tons. **Alfalfa:** Small square- Premium - 3.70 per bale. **Alfalfa-Orchard grass Mix:** Small square- Premium - 4.20-4.60 per bale. **Mixed Grass:** Large square- Premium - 110.00, Good - 86.00- 93.00; Large round- Good - 100.00. **Orchard grass:** Large square- Good - 101.00; Small round - Good - 15.00- 16.00 per bale. **Straw:** Large square - 70.00. **Fodder:** Large round - 19.00- 21.00 per bale. USDA, Richmond, VA 804.786.3947

NEW MEXICO – November 3, 2006 was the last report of the season. We will resume in early May 2007. To access the last report, go to: http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/AL_GR310.txt
USDA Market News, Las Cruces, NM (505) 527-6861

October 2006 - CALIFORNIA - Cubes Inbound Hay & Cubes by County & State			
Destination County	UT	NV	Total
Fresno		25	25
Kern	183		183
Lassen	1		1
Los Angeles	706	22	728
Madera		24	24
Orange	114		114
Placer		22	22
Riverside	46		46
San Diego	23		23
San Joaquin		437	437
San Mateo		73	73
Santa Clara		24	24
Stanislaus		93	93
Export	7,597		7,597
TOTAL	8,670	720	9,390
border stations - Alturas, Benton, Blythe, Dorris, Hornbrook, Long Valley, Meyers, Needles, Redwood Hwy, Truckee, Tulelake, Vidal, Winterhaven, Yermo			

NEVADA – 12/08/06 All classes of hay mostly steady, most hay sold for the year, very little left to sale. All prices FOB the stack per ton for current delivery unless otherwise stated. **Western Area:** Alfalfa: Good to Premium quality 3x4x8 bales 125.00-150.00, Utility to Good 3x4x8 bales 100.00-120.00. Supreme quality small squares 155.00-165.00, Premium small squares 140.00-150.00, Good small squares 110.00-120.00, fair small squares 100.00-110.00. Orchard: Premium quality grass small squares 135.00-150.00. **Central Area:** Alfalfa: Supreme quality large squares 145-155.00; Premium large squares 130-135.00, Good large squares 125.00-130.00, Fair large squares 115.00-120.00. Alfalfa/orchard mix: Good quality small squares 150.00. Timothy grass: Premium quality small squares 200.00. USDA Market News, Las Cruces, NM. 505/527-6861

Afternoon National Slaughter Cattle Review 12/07/06

Trading mostly inactive to very slow in all feeding regions. Not enough sales for an adequate market trend. Last week live sales traded at 85.00-86.50 and dressed sales at 135.00-136.00. Negotiated sales:

Confirmed: 4,969 Week ago: 9,155 Year ago: 27,278

Week to Date: 8,841 Week ago: 23,142 Year ago: 134,778

Negotiated: prices paid for Domestic Slaughter steers and heifers: (Information derived from the 5 area weighted average LM_CT100)

Live basis	Steers	Heifers
Over 80% Choice	85.00-85.00 avg 85.00	84.50-85.50 avg 85.28
65 - 80% Choice	84.25-85.00 avg 84.41	85.00-85.00 avg 85.00
35 - 65% Choice	85.00-85.00 avg 85.00	--- ---

Dressed basis	Steers	Heifers
Over 80% Choice	--- ---	134.00-134.00 avg 134.00
65 - 80% Ch	134.00-135.00 avg 134.90	135.00-135.00 avg 135.00
35 - 65% Ch	135.00-135.00 avg 135.00	--- ---

USDA Market News Service, St Joseph, MO (816)-238-0678

WA-OR-ID NW Direct Weekly Feeder Cattle 12/08/06

Feeder Cattle: 2,100; Last Week: 2,300; Year Ago: 5,100. Compared to last week's close, feeder cattle steady in a light test. Trade slow with light to moderate demand. Prices are FOB weighing point with a 1-4 percent shrink or equivalent and with a 5-10 cent slide on calves and a 3-6 cent slide on yearlings. Delivered prices include freight, commissions and other expenses.

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1-2: Current FOB: 700-800 lbs 92.00; 800-900 lbs 90.00-92.00; 850-900 lbs 97.00 Value Added.

Feeder Holsteins: Large 2-3: Current FOB: 300 lbs 90.00.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2: Current FOB: 700-800 lbs 89.00; 800-900 lbs 87.00-90.00.

USDA Market News Moses Lake, WA 509-765-3611

TEXAS – 12/08/06 Trade and demand remain moderate. Supply remains short, and some are stretching the hay that they have left as far as it can go. Although there has been some moisture lately, it's still not enough. The drought conditions continue to be a problem for winter crops growing in some areas. The weather varies in different areas, but most areas have experienced their first hard freezes of the season, drying out soils and killing warm season crops. The state of Texas Department of agriculture has the Hay and Grazing Hot Line set up for buyers and sellers, number is 1-877-429-1998. The web site for TDA is www.agr.state.tx.us. Prices for hay and pellets quoted per ton except where noted. **Panhandle:** Alfalfa: Small Squares: Delivered: Premium to Supreme quality 200.00-250.00, 7.50-8.00 per bale, instances up to 9.00 per bale; Good to Premium quality 180.00-200.00. FOB: 6.50-8.00 per bale. Large Squares: Delivered: Premium to Supreme quality 180.00-235.00; Good quality 160.00-180.00; Fair quality 140.00-160.00. Chopped Alfalfa: Delivered to feedlots: North: 155.00-170.00. South: 165.00-175.00. Prairie Hay: Small squares: Delivered: 160.00-200.00. Large squares: Delivered: 160.00-165.00. Large rounds: Delivered: 130.00-165.00. Coastal Bermuda: Small squares: Delivered: 7.00-8.00 per bale. Large rounds: Delivered: 160.00. Sorghum-Sudan Grass Hay: Large rounds: FOB: 60.00-100.00. Red Top Cane: Small squares: Delivered: 150.00-160.00. Large rounds: Delivered: 105.00-125.00. **West:** Alfalfa: Small Squares: FOB: Premium to Supreme quality 180.00-200.00, 7.50-8.00 per bale. Large Squares: Delivered: Premium to Supreme quality 180.00-200.00; Good quality 150.00-170.00; Fair quality 125.00-135.00. FOB: Premium to Supreme quality 160.00-190.00. Coastal Bermuda: Small squares: FOB: 6.50 per bale. Large rounds: FOB: 100.00 per roll. **North, Central and East:** Alfalfa: Small Squares: Delivered: Premium to Supreme quality 200.00-240.00. FOB: Good to Premium quality 6.00-8.00, instances up to 10.00 per bale. Large Squares: Delivered: Premium to Supreme quality 180.00-200.00; Good quality 160.00-180.00; Fair quality 150.00-160.00. FOB: Fair quality 90.00-105.00. Coastal Bermuda: Small Squares: 7.00-9.00 per bale FOB or delivered locally. Large Rounds: 60.00-120.00 per roll FOB or delivered locally. Hay Grazer: Large squares: Delivered: 100.00. **South:** Coastal Bermuda: Small Squares: Delivered: 7.50-8.50 per bale. FOB: 7.00-8.00 per bale. Large rounds: FOB: 110.00 per roll. USDA Market News Amarillo, TX 806/372-6361

SOUTHEAST – 12-07-06 Movement of hay and mulch has been moderate with good demand continuing for light to moderate supplies. Prices are firm. Most supplies continue to be held in firm hands. Winter grazing has improved but needs rain. Grazing and hay supplies not expected to be sufficient to carry cattle into Spring in some areas. Hay quoted is by the bale FOB producer barn unless otherwise stated. Approximate bale weights: Small Square 55 lbs; Small Round 1000 lbs; Large Rounds 1500 lbs. Tons FOB: 751; Last Week: 1,180; Year to Date FOB: 46,470; Last Week: 45,719.

TYPE, QUALITY	TONS	PRICE	WTD AVG
Bahia Grass Domestic Cattle Small round, per roll			
Good	3	60.00	60.00
Bahia Grass Horse Small square, per bale			
Good	3	7.00	7.00
Bermuda Domestic Cattle Small round, per roll			
Good	110	35.00-40.00	39.14
Bermuda Horse Large round, per roll			
Good	42	45.00	45.00
Bermuda Horse Small round, per roll			
Premium	33	45.00-50.00	45.45
Bermuda Horse Small square, per bale			
Premium	288	4.00-6.00	4.75
Mixed Grass Mulch Small square, per bale			
Fair	121	2.65-3.50	3.27
Wheat Straw Mulch Small square, per bale			
Fair	151	2.00-3.65	2.65
AL Dept of Ag USDA - Market News Montgomery, AL 334-223-7488			

KANSAS – 12/08/06 Ground alfalfa movement: Southwest/South Central Tonnage: 12,715/3,357; Last week: 13,217/3,565; Last year: 17,622/5,748. Hay trade slow to moderate. Demand moderate to strong for grinding and dairy alfalfa, alfalfa pellets, brome, prairie hay and stock cow quality hay and moderate for grass mulch. The Annual Hay and Grazing Conference will be held December 13 and 14 at the State Fairgrounds in Hutchinson, KS. Topics include: New Hay Bio-Security Transportation Regulations; KDOT 2007 Hay Hauling/Trucking Regulations; Cellulosic Ethanol in Kansas; and many more. For more information and to register call 888 550-5376 or visit: www.kfrn.com **Southwest** Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady. Movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: Horse, small square 180.00-215.00; Dairy, Supreme 150.00-170.00, Premium 150.00-155.00. Utility-Good grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field or shipped in, 130.00-140.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies, 150.00-162.00, some ground on the truck 150.00-152.50. The week of 11/27-12/2, 12,715T of grinding alfalfa and 1,584T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Cane, BMR Sudan and Millet, Good, dry, green, low nitrates, large round bales 70.00-75.00, mid and large square bales 80.00-90.00. Good failed milo hay, large bales 75.00. Clean cornstalks, large square bales 65.00. Cornstalks large round 55.00. The average paid by feedlots on Dec. 1 for alfalfa ground and delivered was 131.74/T, up 1.10 from last month, usage was 1,118T/day, down 2%, total usage was 33,534T. **South Central** Dairy and grinding alfalfa and alfalfa pellets steady. Movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: Dairy, Supreme 140.00-165.00; Premium 125.00-140.00; Stock cow, 120.00-140.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field 115.00-130.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots 130.00-150.00. The week of 11/27-12/2, 3,357T of grinding alfalfa and 1,648T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Alfalfa pellets: Sun cured 15 and 17 pct protein 155.00-170.00, mostly 160.00-170.00; Dehydrated 17 pct 180.00. CRP grass in large bales 75.00. BMR Sudan or Millet good, dry, low nitrates, mid and large square bales 80.00-90.00; Sudan, Good, low nitrates, large round bales 55.00-70.00. Milo/Crabgrass small squares 90.00. Good failed milo hay, large round bales 50.00-65.00. The average paid by feedlots on December 1 for alfalfa ground and delivered was 128.72/T, up 96 cents from last month, usage was 387T/day, down 3%, total usage was 11,605T. **Southeast** Alfalfa, brome and prairie hay steady to firm, hay supplies tight. Movement moderate. Alfalfa: Horse and goat, mid square 160.00, horse small square 200.00. Dairy alfalfa, Supreme, 120.00-150.00; Premium, 110.00-120.00. Bluestem: small squares, Good 90.00-110.00, mostly 100.00, mid and large squares 85.00-100.00, some 110.00-120.00, large rounds 65.00-90.00. Brome: Good, small square 90.00-100.00; mid and large squares 80.00-100.00, large round 70.00. Soybean hay, Good, large bales 90.00-100.00. Haygrazer, good, low nitrates mid square 80.00-100.00, large round 70.00-80.00. CWF Grass mulch 30.00/large round bale. **Northwest** Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady. Movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: Horse, 160.00-180.00. Dairy, Supreme 120.00-140.00; Premium 120.00; Stock cow 110.00-120.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field or shipped in 110.00-120.00; Ground and delivered to feedlots and dairies 115.00-140.00. Sudan, Good, low nitrates, large bales 60.00-75.00. Oat hay, good large round 85.00. **North Central-Northeast** Dairy and grinding alfalfa, prairie hay and brome steady. Movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: Horse, 130.00-160.00; Dairy, Supreme 120.00-145.00; Premium 110.00-140.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field, 100.00-120.00, shipped in 105.00-125.00, alfalfa ground-on-the-truck 110.00-130.00. Grass hay: Bluestem small square, Horse quality, 100.00, Good 80.00-90.00, Mid square 80.00-85.00, large rounds 65.00-80.00, some 81.00-92.00/bale. Brome: supply tight, Premium, small square 90.00-110.00; Good, small square, 80.00-90.00, Mid squares, 80.00-90.00, Large round, 70.00-90.00, Fair large rounds 50.00-60.00. Straw, small square 2.50/bale or 3.00/bale del., Mid and large square bales 50.00-65.00/T, large round 70.00 delivered. Soybean hay, Good, large bales 90.00-100.00. Sudan or Cane, good, dry low nitrates, large bales 75.00-80.00. Grass Mulch small square 3.25 or 3.75 del. **USDA Market News, Dodge City, KS 620-227-8881**

IOWA – Midwest Hay and Straw Co. Maurice, IA – 12/05/06 - All prices dollars per ton, except straw, dollars per bale. Receipts: 19 Loads; Week Ago: 17 Loads; Year Ago: 17 Loads. One load Small Squares equals approximately 5 tons; Large Squares and Large Rounds range from 10-25 tons per load. Alfalfa and grass 2.00-3.00 higher. Good demand. Alfalfa: Small Squares, 1 load: Premium 100.00. Large Squares, 3 loads: Premium 100.00-102.50. Large Rounds, 3 loads: Premium 97.50-110.00. Grass: Small Squares, 2 loads: Premium 120.00, Good 85.00. Large Squares, 3 loads: Premium 105.00, Good 80.00-87.50. Large Rounds, 5 loads: Premium 95.00-100.00, Fair 55.00. Straw: Large Rounds, 1 load: 16.00 per bale. Cornstalks: Large Squares, 1 load: 15.00 per bale. USDA-SD Dept Ag, Sioux Falls, SD 605-338-4061

South-Central North-Central IA (Private treaty): 12/07/06 Hay sales were steady. Demand and trade activity was moderate to good. Alfalfa Premium Large and small square bales 120.00-145.00. Good Large and Small Squares 100.00. Fair large squared 55.00-60.00. Premium Large Rounds 65.00-85.00 Good Large round bales 48.00-60.00. Fair Large Rounds 40.00-50.00. Alfalfa/grass mix: Good to Premium small square bales 110.00-120.00. Grass: Premium Large squares: 120.00-140.00. Good Large Square bales 120.00. USDA NE Ag Market News, Kearney, NE (308) 237-7579

Rock Valley Hay Auction – 12/04/06 All prices dollars per ton, except straw, dollars per bale. All sales FOB Rock Valley, Iowa, vicinity. Receipts: 28 Loads Week Ago: 21 Loads Year Ago: 34 loads One load Small Squares equals approximately 5 tons. Large Squares and Large Rounds range from 10-25 tons per load. Alfalfa sold steady, grass and cornstalks weak. Quality of grass not as attractive as previous sale. Alfalfa: Small Squares, 1 load: Premium 107.50. Large Squares, 2 loads: Premium 107.50-112.50. Large Rounds, 3 loads: Premium 97.50-100.00, Good 90.00-95.00. Alfalfa Mix: Large Rounds, 2 loads: Premium 120.00, Good 90.00. Grass: Large Squares, 1 load: Good 75.00. Large Rounds, 7 loads: Premium 90.00, Good 60.00-75.00, Fair 52.50. Straw: Small Squares, 5 loads: 2.70-3.40 per bale. Large Squares, 1 load: 16.00 per bale. Large Rounds, 1 load: 19.00 per bale. Cornstalks: Large Squares, 2 loads: 14.00-15.00 per bale. Large Rounds, 1 load: 20.00 per bale.

Rock Valley Hay Auction – 12/07/06 Receipts: 73 loads; Week Ago: 74 Loads; Year Ago: 61 loads. One load Small Squares equals approximately 5 tons; Large Squares and Large Rounds range from 10-25 tons per load. Alfalfa sold steady, grass weak. Alfalfa: Small Squares, 4 loads: Premium 100.00-120.00. Large Squares, 6 loads: Premium 110.00-125.00, load 137.50; Good 85.00-90.00. Large Rounds, 28 loads: Premium 97.50-120.00, Good 80.00-95.00. Alfalfa Mix: Small Squares, 1 load: Good 80.00. Large Squares, 1 load: Good 77.50. Large Rounds, 6 loads: Good 82.50-95.00. Grass: Small Squares, 7 loads: Premium 115.00-120.00, Good 82.50-95.00. Large Squares, 5 loads: Good 70.00-82.50. Large Rounds, 10 loads: Premium 97.50, Good 80.00-95.00, Fair 60.00. Straw: Small Squares, 2 loads: 3.60-3.80 per bale. Large Squares, 2 loads: 25.00-28.00 per bale. Cornstalks: Large Rounds, 1 load: 15.00 per bale. USDA - SD Dept of Ag Market News, Sioux Falls, SD 605-338-4061

NEBRASKA – 12/07/06 Hay sales trended fully steady. Demand was moderate to good. Inventories of Dairy quality hay were limited as supplies tighten. Pellet sales were fully steady while inventories are light. Trade activity was light to moderate with moderate to good demand.

Northeast NE: Alfalfa: Supreme large square bales (RFV >185) 140.00; Premium large square bales (RFV 170-185) 130.00-140.00; Good large square bales (RFV 150-170) 115.00-120.00; Fair large square bales (RFV 130-150) 90.00. Good large round bales 75.00-90.00; Fair large round bales 60.00-80.00. Alfalfa, ground and delivered to feedlots 105.00. Grass Hay: Premium to Good small square bales 100.00-130.00; Good large round bales 80.00-85.00. Dehydrated alfalfa pellets, 17 percent protein: 170.00. Straw: Large square bales 45.00-50.00.

Platte Valley of NE: Alfalfa: Supreme small square bales (RFV >185) 150.00-160.00. Premium large square bales (RFV 170-185) 125.00-135.00; Fair to Good large square bales (RFV 130-150) 90.00-110.00. Good large round bales 85.00 to 90.00. Fair large round bales 80.00. Grass: Good large rounds 60.00-80.00. Oat Hay: Large square bales 80.00. Straw: Large round bales 55.00-60.00. Alfalfa, ground and delivered to feedlots 120.00-125.00. Dehydrated alfalfa pellets, 17 percent protein: 165.00-170.00. USDA NE Dept Ag, Kearney, NE 308-237-7579

MISSOURI – 12/07/06 The first winter storm proved to be no let down to many areas, with some areas getting near 20 inches of actual snowfall. Ice was a problem for some farmers, and a select few only had cold to deal with. Inquires for hay have been very high this week as expected with the first snow. Those that didn't manage to find hay early or were hoping for lower prices are mostly out of luck as the market is only getting stronger each day for the time being. Buyers are also finding it difficult to purchase hay in the few neighboring states that are on the have side as prices are digging deep in the pocket once all costs to get it to their farm is tallied in. The supply of hay is light, demand is good, and prices steady to firm. The MO Dept. of Ag. has a hay hotline available at 1-800-877-4429. (All prices f.o.b. and per ton unless specified and on most recent reported sales) Supreme Alfalfa (RFV>185) 135.00-160.00. Premium Alfalfa (RFV170-180) 100.00-125.00. Fair to Good Alfalfa (RFV130-170) Round bales 40.00-80.00. Small, big squares and baleage (dry weight) 70.00-110.00. Good mixed Alfalfa and grass small square bales 3.00-4.50 per bale, 30.00-60.00 per large round bale. Good to Premium Prairie hay mostly small squares 80.00-100.00. Fair to good Prairie hay mostly round bales 40.00-70.00. Good to Premium Brome large squares 90.00-100.00. Good Brome 40.00-70.00. Fair Brome some mixed with grass round bales 20.00-40.00 per bale. Good Timothy Hay 3.00-4.50 per small square bale. Fair to Good Mixed Grass hay round bales 25.00-50.00 per round bale. Fair to Good bluestem 40.00 per round bale. Fair to Good millet/Sudan grass round bale 50.00-55.00 per round bale. Fair to Good Bermuda grass 65.00 per round bale. Wheat hay 50.00-70.00. Wheat straw 1.75-3.00 per small square bale. Corn stalks 20.00-25.00 per round bale. USDA Market News, Jefferson City, MO 573-751-5618

WYOMING, W. NEBRASKA & W. SOUTH DAKOTA

- 12/07/06 Trade activity very slow. Demand good to very good. Hay supplies very short in all areas. All prices dollars per ton FOB stack in medium to large square bales and rounds, unless otherwise noted. Horse hay in small squares. Prices are from the most recent reported sales.

Eastern WY Alfalfa - Supreme 115.00-135.00, some 140.00-150.00; Good to Premium 95.00-115.00; ground and delivered 106.00-111.00. Alfalfa/Orchard for horses - Premium 155.00. Alfalfa/Timothy Premium 155.00. Timothy - Premium 175.00. Oat Hay 80.00-85.00. Dehydrated Alfalfa Pellets (17 percent protein) 148.00 del. wholesale.

Central and Western WY Alfalfa - Premium 100.00-115.00, some for horses 120.00-125.00, or 6.00/bale; Good 95.00-100.00, 130.00-135.00 del. Mixed Grass - Good 75.00-80.00. Oat Hay 75.00-80.00. Alfalfa Cubes 110.00.

Western NE Alfalfa - Supreme 120.00-130.00, some 140.00; Premium 100.00-110.00; Fair to Good 90.00-100.00; ground and delivered 117.00-120.00. Millet Hay 75.00-85.00. Corn Stalks 47.00-50.00, 60.00 del., ground and delivered 81.00. Sorghum Cane 65.00 del. Wheat Straw 25.00-50.00. Alfalfa Pellets sun-cured 13 percent protein less than five ton 191.00 retail, 5-12 ton 181.00, over 12 ton 171.00.

Western SD Alfalfa - Premium 90.00-100.00, for horses 120.00; Good 75.00-85.00, 95.00-105.00 del. Alfalfa/Grass 100.00. Grass Hay 65.00, 90.00 del. Wheat Hay 80.00 del. USDA Market News, Torrington, WY 307-532-4146

NATIONAL DAILY DIRECT AFTERNOON HOGS 12/ 07/06

NEGOTIATED PURCHASE
(Including Packer Sold)
Barrows & Gilts (carcass basis): 24,969
Compared to Prior Day's closing weighted average, .20 lower.
Base Price Range \$51.00 - \$64.75,
Weighted Average \$61.19
Base Market Hog 185 lb Carcass Basis
(0.9-1.1 inch back-fat, 6 square inch loin/2.0 depth)

USDA Market News, Des Moines, IA 515-284-4460



ILLINOIS: - Dec. 1, 2006 This report is issued the first Friday of the month. All hay prices quoted dollars per ton FOB the farm, small square bales unless otherwise noted. Straw quoted in dollars per bale and by the ton. This report was based on the sale of 2450 ton. The demand for Illinois hay was moderate to good, with moderate to active sales and prices were steady to 10 dollars higher in some cases. The supply of Illinois hay was moderate. Market activity did increase from last month as harvest nears completion for producers. The weather is getting colder reminding buyers to get hay supplies ready for the winter weather ahead. Demand did remain moderate to good from buyers outside of the state. The Illinois horse and dairy producers demand was still moderate to good. Demand for beef hay was still light to moderate. Demand for straw was light with trading slow and prices were steady. **Northern:** Hay trading was moderate with prices steady. Demand was light to moderate with moderate to heavy supplies. Straw prices were steady, with light demand and moderate offerings. Premium alfalfa 130-140, 115-135 in big squares; Good alfalfa 100-120, 100-120 in big squares, 80-100 in big rounds; Fair alfalfa 70-90, 70-90 in big squares, 65-85 in big rounds; Utility alfalfa 60-70, 60-75 in big squares. Premium Mix 120-140, 100-120 in big squares; Good Mix 100-130, 100-120 in big squares, 80-100 in big rounds; Fair Mix 80-100, 75-80 in big squares, 60-80 in big rounds; Utility 50-60, 50-60 in big squares, 50-60 in big rounds. Premium Grass 110-120; Good Grass 90-110, 75-100 in big squares and 70-90 in big rounds; Fair grass 70-80, 70-80 in big squares, 60-70 in big rounds; Utility 50-60. Straw prices were 1.50-2.50 per bale in small squares, 45-55 per ton in big squares or 70-80 per ton for small squares. **Central:** Hay sales were moderate with prices steady to 10 dollars higher. Demand was moderate to good with moderate offerings. Straw prices were steady, with light demand and moderate offerings. Premium alfalfa 130-150, 115-135 in big squares; Good alfalfa 100-130, 100-120 in big squares, 80-100 in big rounds; Fair alfalfa 70-90, 55-70 in big rounds, 70-95 in big squares; Utility alfalfa 50-60, 70-75 in big squares, and 60-70 in big rounds. Premium Mix 130-150, 110-130 in big squares; Good Mix 110-130, 100-120 in big squares, 75-85 in big rounds; Fair Mix 70-85, 75-100 in big squares, 50-60 in big rounds; Utility Mix 60-70. Premium Grass 110-130, 100-120 in big squares, 80-90 in big rounds; Good Grass 90-120, 80-100 in big squares, 70-90 in big rounds; Fair Grass 65-80, 45-60 in big rounds; Utility 50-65, 60 in big squares. Straw was steady with good demand. Prices were 1.50-2.25 per bale, 40-55 per ton in big squares, 70-80 per ton for small squares. **Southern:** Producers reported hay trading moderate with moderate demand and prices steady to 10 dollars higher. Straw prices were steady with light demand and moderate to heavy offerings. Premium alfalfa was 130-150, 120-140 in big squares; Good alfalfa 110-130, 100-125 in big squares, 80-100 in big rounds; Fair Alfalfa 90, 70-85 big squares, 70-85 in big rounds; Utility Alfalfa 60-70, 65 in big squares and rounds. Premium Mix 130-150, 110-130 big squares; Good Mix 110-130, 90-100 in big rounds; Fair Mix 80-90, 75 in big squares; Utility Mix 60-70, 60 in big rounds. Premium Grass 110-130, 90-110 in big squares; Good Grass 90-110, 80-90 in big rounds; Fair Grass 80-90, 65-70 in big rounds, 65-75 in big squares; Utility Grass 60-70. Straw was 1.50-2.50 per bale; 45-50 per ton in big squares; 70-90 per ton for small squares. USDA Market News, Springfield, IL 217-782-4925

MINNESOTA- Pipestone Hay and Straw Auction Dec. 5, 2006 All prices dollars per ton, except straw, dollars per bale. Receipts: 84 Loads; Week Ago: 61 Loads; Year Ago: 64 Loads. One load Small Squares equals approximately 5 tons; Large Squares and Large Rounds range from 10-25 tons per load. Alfalfa and grass hay sold firm to 5.00 higher. Straw steady to firm. Alfalfa: Large Squares, 5 loads: Premium 92.50-97.50, Good 87.50-90.00. Large Rounds, 19 loads: Premium 92.50-97.50, Good 72.50-87.50, Fair 62.50-65.00, Utility 45.00. Alfalfa Mix: Small Squares, 5 loads: Premium 90.00, Good 65.00-80.00. Large Rounds, 6 loads: Premium 95.00-100.00, Good 77.50-85.00, Fair 62.50. Grass: Small Squares, 3 loads: Premium 90.00-92.50. Large Rounds, 28 loads: Good 62.50-75.00, Fair 52.50-60.00, Utility 27.50-47.50. Straw: Small Squares, 5 loads: 1.90-2.45 per bale. Large Rounds, 4 loads: 16.00-25.00 per bale. Cornstalks: Large Rounds, 8 loads: 10.00-22.00, mostly 18.00-19.00, per bale. USDA-SD Market News Sioux Falls, SD 605-338-4061

COLORADO - 12/07/06 All classes of hay sold mostly steady. Demand good to very good. Trading activity moderate. State wide snow pack is at 97 percent, Yampa and White 87 percent, Colorado 117 percent, North Platte 90 percent, South Platte 126 percent, Arkansas 113 percent, Upper Rio Grande 77 percent, Gunnison 100 percent, and (San Miguel, Dolores, Animas, San Juan) 75 percent. Quoted prices are dollars per ton and FOB stack unless otherwise noted. Sales FOB stack per ton, in large and small square bales, unless otherwise noted. FOB relates to prices of hay at the edge of field or at the stack. Delivered prices relate to final cost of hay delivered to user including freight to the dairy, feedlot, broker, auction, or ranch. Delivered prices include all transportation and handling fees, which vary based on distance of haul and other factors. Ground and delivered prices include cost of processing as well as delivery to the feedlot or Dairy. Prices are from the most recent sales. **Northeast Areas:** Alfalfa: Supreme: Large Squares 135.00-140.00. Premium: Large Squares 130.00-135.00; Small Squares 160.00-220.00 (6.00-7.50 per bale). Fair to Utility: Large Squares and Rounds 120.00-125.00 Del, spots 140.00-145.00 Del. Ground and Delivered 150.00-160.00. Alfalfa/Grass Mix: Premium: Small Squares 200.00-230.00 (6.00-7.00 per bale); Large Rounds 165.00. Grass: Premium: Small Squares 220.00-265.00 (6.00-8.50 per bale). Good: Large Squares 130.00-135.00 Del. Oat Hay: Large Squares 85.00, 90.00-105.00 Del. Wheat Straw: Large Squares 70.00-75.00 Del. **Southeast Areas:** Alfalfa: Premium: Small Squares 150.00-160.00 (5.00-5.50 per bale). Good: Large Squares instances 165.00-175.00. Utility to Fair: Large Squares 115.00-125.00. Ground and Delivered: 145.00-150.00. Oat Hay: Large Squares 105.00. **San Luis Valley Areas:** Alfalfa: Supreme: Large Squares 150.00-160.00. Premium: Large Squares 140.00-150.00, Small Squares 175.00-230.00 (6.50-7.50/bale). Utility: Large Squares 85.00-100.00. Oat Hay: Premium: Large Squares 100.00-105.00. Good: Large Squares 80.00. Alfalfa/Grass Mix: Premium: Small Squares 180.00-250.00 (6.00-7.50 per bale). **Southwest Areas:** Alfalfa: Premium: Small Squares 200.00-220.00 (6.00 per bale). Good: Large Squares 115.00. Alfalfa/Grass Mix: Premium: Small Squares 200.00-220.00 (6.00 per bale). **Northwest and Mountain Areas:** Grass: Premium: Small Squares 140.00-190.00 (4.25-7.00/bale); Large Rounds Certified weed free 120.00. Good: Large Rounds 80.00-100.00. USDA AMS, Greeley, CO 970-353-9750

SO. DAKOTA - East River - 12/08/06 All prices per ton, unless noted, FOB field or stack. Compared to two weeks ago Alfalfa and Grass hay sold mostly steady. Alfalfa Pellets, Straw and Cornstalks sold steady. Continued mild weather in the tri-state area still resulting in lower than normal sales volume. Alfalfa: Large Squares: Supreme with RFV > 185, 120.00-150.00. Premium RFV > 170, 95.00-115.00. Good 80.00-90.00. Grinding Quality 70.00-90.00. Large Rounds: Premium 85.00-95.00. Good 65.00-85.00, mostly 70.00-80.00. Grinding Quality 60.00-75.00. Fair to Good at 50.00-65.00. Utility to Fair 40.00-50.00. Grass: Small Squares: Premium, load 90.00. Good, 75.00-85.00. Large Squares: Premium 90.00-95.00. Good, load mixed 115.00, limited 75.00-80.00. Large Rounds: Premium, load 90.00. Good 65.00-85.00. Fair 40.00-55.00. Straw: Large Squares, 55.00, Large Rounds, 48.00 delivered. Pellets: Sun-cured Alfalfa 17 pct 150.00, 15 pct 145.00. Cornstalks: Large Squares 40.00, Large Rounds 35.00-40.00. **Alcester, SD** Midwest Hay and Straw Co. - Sat. 12/02/06 All prices dollars per ton, except straw, dollars per bale. Receipts: 11 Loads; Week Ago: 9 Loads; Year Ago: 10 Loads. One load Small Squares equals approximately 5 tons; Large Squares and Large Rounds range from 10-25 tons per load. Alfalfa and grass hay sold steady to firm on a light test. Alfalfa: Small Squares, 2 loads: Supreme 180.00, Good 3.50 per bale. Large Rounds, 5 loads: Good 77.50-90.00. Grass: Small Squares, 1 load: Premium 120.00. Large Rounds, 2 loads: Good 80.00-90.00. Cornstalks: Large Squares, 1 load: 18.00 per bale. USDA Market News Sioux Falls, SD 605-338-4061